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EDITORIAL NOTES

THAT "HOG-TIGHT FENCE" AGAIN.

Quite a number of letters referring to an editorial note in the last issue of the JOURNAL have been received and it is very evident that the action of the Board of Medical Examiners referred to by Vanderburgh does not meet with much approval, to say the least. The following is a sample and is a letter written by a distinguished physician in the Southern part of the State:

"In reading the last issue of the STATE JOURNAL and especially the published letter of Dr. Vanderburgh, at his request, on the so-called 'hog-tight fence,' it has occurred to me that the inward craving of the doctor's 'spleen' has been fully satisfied. And I had another thought in reading this letter and your editorial comments thereon: Could it be possible that any medical man sufficiently intelligent and honored by the state to sit on the Board of Medical Examiners could be found so narrow and selfish as to desire to sacrifice the health and lives of the people of the state in the interests of some one 'pathy'? God save the people!"

In order that our members may become acquainted with the facts and that the attitude of

the members of the Board of Medical Examiners on this very important question may be a part of the printed record, the minutes of the board have been carefully gone over and particular attention given to their method of dealing with the osteopathic situation, for reasons which will appear subsequently. The minutes of the June meeting show the following action:

"Moved by Molony, seconded by Vanderburgh, that on the basis of the report of the College Investigation Committee, the Los Angeles College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, the California Eclectic Medical College and the College of Physicians and Surgeons of San Francisco be temporarily approved till December 1, 1915, as qualifying applicants for the Physician and Surgeon examination.

"Ayes: Tasker, Vanderburgh, Molony, Campbell, Brown, Smith, Pinkham.

"Noes: Alderson, Loos."

There is the record. What does it mean? It means quite a lot, when you study it. It means that an osteopath is no longer to be an osteopath but is to be recognized as a "physician and surgeon." Under our wonderful and fearful medical law, the Board of Examiners is authorized to issue two classes of licenses to practice; to drugless practitioners and to physicians and surgeons. The osteopath of course comes within the drugless limitation—or did, until this action of the board which Vanderburgh so complacently refers to as removing a section of the "hog-tight fence." The action of the board above quoted appears to allow graduates of an osteopathic school to apply for license to practice, not as osteopaths, but as physicians and surgeons! And two Regular members of the board voted for the resolution: Wm. R. Molony, Los Angeles; A. M. Smith, Oakland; the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Gundrum has not been filled, so that there are but four Regulars on the board at present.

OSTEOPATHIC M.D.'S, AND HOW.

The resolution bases this recognition of graduates of an osteopathic school for application to obtain a physician and surgeon license on the report of the College Investigation Committee. It may be said in passing that the Los Angeles College of Osteopathy has been claiming for some time that it was competent to teach and did teach and graduate doctors of medicine, giving the degree of M.D. The report of this College Investigation Committee for last year has already been commented upon in the JOURNAL. It is spread upon the minutes of the Board of Examiners and hence is a public document which any one may consult. It showed conclusively that the claim of this osteopathic school to teach regular medicine was what would be a farce if it were not an insult to human intelligence. On the basis of this year's report, which is not materially different from last year's, this osteopathic school was given recognition as a drugless college for one year and only

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Dr. A. L. Lengfeld was born in Auburn, N. Y., in 1850, and came to San Francisco an infant in arms.

After serving apprenticeship as a druggist, he entered the Medical Department of the University of the Pacific, later the Cooper Medical College, and graduated in 1871. He never really practiced medicine, but early in 1872 opened a drug store on the corner of Geary and Stockton streets, and up to within a year of his death was actively engaged in the practice of pharmacy, doing not a little to elevate its tone.

In 1883 he was appointed Professor of Chemistry and Materia Medica in the Medical Department of the University of California, and shortly afterwards to the same position in the newly founded College of Dentistry in the same institution. He served for over fifteen years to the entire satisfaction of the University authorities as well as the students.

He was particularly active in promoting pure pharmacy, and besides helping to establish the College of Pharmacy of the University of California, he was a member of the Pharmacopeia Convention of 1890, and Vice-President of the same convention in 1900 and 1910.

About a year ago his health failed to such an extent that he was compelled to withdraw from active life and died suddenly on June 19th, being survived by a widow and one son.

NEW LICENTIATES.

Allen, Edgar Mosher; Allen, Elzora Butler; Anthony, Edward Haven; Ashmore, Frank; Augspurger, Elmer David.

Bailey, Le Roy Harrison; Barber, Edna Mabel; Barbour, Llewellyn P.; Barnesby, Percy Norman; Billingsley, Carey Val; Bittner, Clarence Lavan; Boerke, Isabel Caldwell; Brace, Robert Walter; Brady, Emmett James; Breitling, Carl Adolph.

Campbell, James; Carrington, Paul Miles; Cartmell, Theodore Mithoff; Carter, Joseph J.; Cary, Eugene; Charles, Harvey Philip; Coleman, James Edmund; Coleman, Joseph Furniss; Collins, Foster Kyle; Cook, Wm. Wilder; Cookinham, Franklin Hillman; Crawford, Joseph William; Crow, Lloyd Benjamin; Crum, Howard Chas.

Dacey, Cornelius Joseph; Davey, Roy William; Davis, Arthur Lee; Degnan, Samuel Bryan; Denney, Robert Stevenson; Dignan, Howard Henry; Domb, David Ber; Dubois, Willard Cecil; Dunham, Frank Hunt.

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Hackett, Robert Kells; Hale, Nathan George; Hamilton, Julius Rugg; Hand, Henry Wm.; Happell, James McAndrew; Hasbrouck, Stephen; Hassett, Thomas Francis; Hatch, Ernest Downing; Hawkins, Harrison Morton; Hendricks, Hiram Porter; Heuler, Leo; Hinman, Frank; Hoag, Obe Haight; Hoagland, Chas. Clinton; Hoit, Henry Ambrose; Horst, Carl Herman; Huckins, Horace Seaver; Hunter, Randolph Frederick.

Irving, Walter William.

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Nakaki, Kiyohide; Newell, Rufus Ingalls; Northrup, Fred D.

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March, Irwin B., Richmond.

MacKinnon, Robt. Donald, San Francisco.

Bradfield, Geo. M., San Francisco.

Smart, Robt., Coronado.

Grant, J. F., San Diego.

Mahoney, Margaret J., San Francisco.

DEATHS.

Nourse, B. S., San Francisco (died in Sacramento, Cal.).

Thompson, James Malcolm, San Francisco.

Pinney, Henry Beers, San Francisco.

Helgesen, Segrid, San Luis Obispo.

Du Milieu, Emile A., Nevada City, Cal.

Bowman, F. A., San Francisco.

Woodward, R. M., San Francisco (died in Rochester, Minn.).

Brown, Archibald Robt., San Dimas, Cal.

Van Norman, Edgar V., Los Angeles.

Heinimann, J. M., Fruitvale, Cal.

Evans, Chas. W., Los Angeles.

Kuster, C. Edward, Los Angeles.

Bolling, R. E. (address unknown; died in Pasadena, Cal.).